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SENATE'S SUPREME COURT NOMINEE HEARING

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In emotional testimony, Kavanaugh, accuser profess certainty

Richard Wolf, Eliza Collins, Donovan Slack and Tom Vanden Brook USA TODAY

WASHINGTON – The ideological direction of the nation's highest court for the next generation teetered Thursday on the riveting, emotional testimony and the credibility of a college professor who accused a judge on the brink of confirmation to the Supreme Court of sexual assault 36 years ago.

Republicans' dream of turning the Supreme Court into a conservative bulwark rests on the shoulders of Brett Kavanaugh, 53, whose path to the pinnacle of justice is jeopardized by accusations of sexual assault when he was a teenager.

Emotions boiled over when Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., angrily challenged his Democratic colleagues.

"What you want to do is destroy this guy's life," Graham railed against Democrats. "This is the most unethical sham since I've been in politics."

Standing in Kavanaugh's path to the high court is Christine Blasey Ford, who –

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BALLOT PROPOSALS

Poll: Legal weed, easier voting get high marks

Kathleen Gray Detroit Free Press
USA TODAY NETWORK

If the election were held today, marijuana for recreational use would be legal in Michigan and voting would become much easier, according to a poll done for the Detroit Free Press.

But a proposal to change the way state and federal legislative district lines are drawn, while ahead 48-32 percent, hasn't reached a winning threshold yet, according to EPIC/MRA pollster Bernie Porn.

The proposal that would legalize marijuana for adult recreational use is leading 55-41 percent, in the poll of 600 active and likely voters that was taken Sept. 21-25 for the Free Press and its media partners. Only 3 percent of those surveyed are undecided on the issue.

And while the proposal has widespread support in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties and is winning by smaller margins in all but the northern portion of Michigan, the support for legalization has shrunk from the

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Snyder: Roadwork lockout over, work to start right away

Paul Egan Detroit Free Press
USA TODAY NETWORK

LANSING – A labor dispute that stalled more than 100 Michigan road projects for more than three weeks has ended for now and work is resuming immediately, Gov. Rick Snyder said Thursday.

The Michigan Infrastructure & Transportation Association, representing the contractors, and the union, Operating Engineers Local 324, agreed to continue working without a contract through the 2018 construction season, Snyder said in a news release.

The parties have agreed to mediation through the winter.

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